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### Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance	
X	1, 18, 35 at least	EP 1267258 A2	(BROADCOM) see Figures 1 and 10 and paragraphs 4-9 and 78-81.
A		US 6009512 A	(CHRISTIE) see Figures 6 & 7 and column 4, line 54 to column 5, line 32.
A		US 6157996 A	(CHRISTIE) see column 3, line 20 to column 5, line 32.

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